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SUBJECT: MGT – 2007 Status Reviews

<u>Purpose</u>: To provide the field offices instructions for completing 2007 status reviews.

Expiration Date: December 31, 2007

## **Action Required By: November 1, 2007**

The FSA 2007 Compliance Review Tracts are now available via the web-based system used last year. The user documentation for the Web-based application is available on-line at my.NRCS/Field Tools/FSA Compliance Reviews.

The process for selecting the random tracts has been modified to more accurately identify valid tracts and reduce the need for replacing tracts.

Tracts granted variances in 2006 are included in the web-based application. You can begin using the web-based application to start planning status reviews to be conducted by your field office. Please review Part 518, Subpart B, 180-V-NFSAM, Fourth Ed., April 2004 for guidance on conducting status reviews. For making adjustments to the status review tracts, please refer to Part 518, Subpart A. Adjustments are needed for FSA-Farm Credit Borrowers, tracts owned by government employees, reinstatements, etc.

Special attention should be paid to Part 518, Subpart A, Section 518.03 (c). This section addresses the replacement of selected tracts. It must be remembered that a compliance review is a two-fold process – tracts must be reviewed for compliance with **both** HELC and WC provisions. Even if there are no annually tilled commodity crops being produced on the tract, a program participant is still responsible for complying with the WC provisions, and NRCS must ensure appropriate compliance.

Tracts on the national compliance review list must be replaced if the tract is not a part of a farming concern that has received USDA benefits in the past cropping year. These tracts are to be replaced by the next sequentially numbered tract in the county that meets the criteria for a status review or by a tract with a Title XII conservation program assistance contract, (i.e., CSP, CRP, EQIP, WHIP, WRP, FRPP, or GRP).

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As stated earlier, the 2007 Compliance Review Tracts are available through a web-based application. This application can be accessed through your my.NRCS website. Once you have logged into the system, go to the Accountability tab. Once there, look in the far right column. Click on the FSA Compliance Reviews. This will take you to the Welcome screen. Click on the Data Entry button located in the bar at the top of the screen. This will take you to the Tract Worklist screen. From here, locate the compliance review tracts for your county. In the State box, click the down arrow and select Indiana. In the County box, click the down arrow and select your county. Then click Search to view the tracts selected for review in your county.

The customer name is provided for most tracts. Please verify that this information is correct. If it is not, please clear the customer and add the correct one if possible.

Questions concerning the status review web-based application can be directed to John Poenisch at Ext. 357 or Harold Thompson at Ext. 320.

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